

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tanya L. Niemeyer  
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For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR HIERARCHICAL ANALYSIS OF  
CONTRAST ENHANCED MEDICAL IMAGING INFORMATION

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**AMENDMENT**

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2006, please amend the application as shown on the following pages: